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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**October, 2010**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases\* submitted to the laboratories this month.....1017  
Number of items\* contained in these cases.....2006

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....1073  
Number of items analyzed this month.....1963

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 4630  
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 70 days  
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed..... 119

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	861	19%
16-30 days old	900	19%
31-50 days old	1001	22%
Greater than 50 days	1868	40%
TOTAL	4630	100%

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	193	10%
16-30 days	78	4%
31-50 days	443	23%
Greater than 50 days	1249	64%
TOTAL	1963	100%

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	382
Cocaine	384
Heroin	247
Others	950
TOTAL	1963

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	9
Cocaine	18
Oxycodone	10
TOTAL	37

**Calendar Year (2010) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	18206
Items Analyzed	23959